

OFFICE OF THE LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR
EVELYN SANGUINETTI – LIEUTENANT GOVERNOR

Local Government Consolidation and Unfunded Mandates Task Force

Meeting Minutes

Tuesday, December 17, 2015

12:00PM

15th Floor, Lt. Governor's Conference Room

James R. Thompson Center

100 W Randolph St

Chicago, IL 60601

And supplemental location via videoconferencing

Lieutenant Governor's Springfield Office

Room 214

Illinois Capitol Building

Springfield, Illinois 62707

Name	Title	Organization	Present
Evelyn Sanguinetti	Lt. Governor	State of Illinois	Yes
Tom Demmer	Representative	90 th District	Phone
Mark Batinick	Representative	97 th District	Yes
Jack Franks	Representative	63 rd District	Phone
Emmanuel Chris Welch	Representative	7 th District	No
Dan Duffy	Senator	26 th District	Phone
Dale Righter	Senator	55 th District	No
Martin A. Sandoval	Senator	12 th District	No
Linda Holmes	Senator	42 nd District	Yes
Karen Darch	Mayor	Barrington	Phone
Karen Hasara	Former Mayor	Springfield	Yes*
Brad Cole	Executive Director	Illinois Municipal League	Phone
Ryan Spain	City Council Member	Peoria	No
Dan Cronin	Chairman	DuPage County	No
Michael Bigger	Former Chairman	Stark County	Phone
Mark Kern	Chairman	St. Clair County	No
John Espinoza	Board Member	Whiteside County	No
Dr. Darlene Ruscitti	Regional Superintendent	DuPage Schools	Phone
Steffanie Seegmiller	Chairman	Arthur School Board	Phone
M. Hill Hammock	Senior Fellow	Metropolitan Planning Council	No

Char Foss-Eggemann	Trustee	Park Ridge Library Board	Phone
Warren L. Dixon III	Township Assessor	Naperville	Yes
George Obernagle	Chairman	Kaskaskia Regional Port District	Phone
Non-Voting Members			
Clayton Frick		Deloitte Services LLP	Phone
Mr. Aranowski			Yes
Mr. Kersey			No
Mr. Zigmund			No
Mr. Perkins			No

*denotes presence at Springfield location

The Local Government Consolidation and Unfunded Mandates Task Force met for the sixteenth time on December 17th, 2015 with Lieutenant Governor and Chair Evelyn Sanguinetti presiding.

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MEETING START

Meeting Scheduled Start: 12:00PM
Meeting Actual Start: 12:04PM

AGENDA

I. Call to Order and Roll Call

- a. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti called the meeting to order at 12:04PM CT and welcomed members.
- b. Roll Call was taken. Quorum was met at this time.

II. Approval of meeting minutes from December 15, 2015

- a. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti opened the minutes from the previous meeting for correction.
- b. Seeing no corrections, Lt. Governor Sanguinetti sought a motion for the approval of the meeting minutes from December 15, 2015.

- i. Dixon moved the motion to approve. Holmes seconded.
- ii. The motion was approved by majority ayes with no nays recorded. Batanick abstained due to his absence from the previous meeting.

III. Chairman's Remarks – Lt. Governor Evelyn Sanguinetti

- a. "I want to start this meeting by, again, thanking everyone for your active participation over the last year. I'd like to give a special thank you to Norm Walzer and his team at NIU's Center for Government Studies for partnering with us on this report. This meeting stands to be the culmination of a year of hard work. I'm proud of this Task Force and the report that has been put together. We've held 16 meetings across the state and have heard testimony from 33 experts representing government associations, nonprofit think tanks, researchers, and state agencies. The Task Force has also received more than 85 proposals from and has endorsed 27 recommendations on topics relating to local government consolidation and unfunded mandates. I look forward to partnering with the Governor and General Assembly next year to pass good government reforms aimed to provide more efficient, effective and streamlined government to the people of Illinois."

IV. Public Comment

- a. No public comment was brought forth.

V. New Business

- a. Vote on Task Force Final Report
 - i. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti introduced Brian Costin to give an update on the report.
 - ii. Costin noted any changes made to the report and mentioned it is still subject to final copy editing. He noted the following additions: Letter from Lt. Governor Sanguinetti, letter from Dr. Norm Walzer, Conclusion and Next Steps, Bibliography, and three consolidation and shared services examples. The minutes from each Task Force meeting, proposals submitted online, and the LRU appendix: Statutory Procedures for Annexing, Consolidating or Dissolving Local Government Units will be included in the final printing as well.
 - iii. Lt Governor Sanguinetti opened the floor for discussion.
 - 1. Batanick asked for clarification on the inclusion of the submissions from the online portal.
 - 2. Costin noted that they will be included subject to permission of the authors.
 - 3. Dixon thanked the Lt. Governor the open and transparent process that produced the Task Force report with a special thanks to Dr. Norm Walzer.
 - 4. Cole stated PA 990353 sponsored by Representative Franks is effective January 1st which concerns proposal #1 on page 19 of the report and should be included as a note in the final printing.

5. Holmes seconded Dixon and noted she appreciated the diversity in the testimony received, and she also commented that the counting of governments is a difficult task. She mentioned that she voted against certain proposals in the report and did not know if voting for the full report would reflect support for certain measures.
 6. Costin clarified the full meeting minutes are included that reflect the votes on individual measures and voting for the report does not nullify those votes.
 7. Batanick added that he disagreed with some of the publicly submitted proposals but will vote for the report as a whole product of the Task Force.
 8. Dixon seconded. Franks also agreed and thanked the Lt. Governor.
- iv. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti sought a motion to approve the Final Report of the Local Government Consolidation and Unfunded Mandates Task Force, subject to final copy edits.
1. Dixon moved the motion to approve. Obernagel seconded.
 2. Roll call was taken on this measure.

Name	Yay	Nay	Abstain	Absent
Lt. Governor Sanguinetti	X			
Representative Demmer	X			
Representative Batinick	X			
Representative Franks	X			
Representative Welch				X
Senator Duffy	X			
Senator Righter				X
Senator Sandoval				X
Senator Holmes	X			
Ms. Darch	X			
Ms. Hasera	X			
Mr. Cole	X			
Mr. Cronin				X
Mr. Bigger	X			
Mr. Kern				X
Mr. Espinoza				X
Dr. Ruscitti	X			
Ms. Seegmiller	X			
Mr. Hammock				X
Mr. Dixon	X			
Mr. Obernagel	X			
Mr. Spain				X
Ms. Eggemann	X			
Total	15	0	0	8

- b. Vote on Taskforce Final Minutes (reflecting Dec 17, 2015)
- i. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti sought a motion for a brief recess to compile and circulate the minutes.
 1. Batanick moved the motion to approve. Dixon seconded.
 2. The motion was approved by majority ayes with no nays recorded.
 - ii. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti sought a motion to reconvene.
 1. Batanick moved the motion to approve. Holmes seconded.
 2. Roll call was taken. Quorum was met at this time.

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- iii. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti opened the minutes from the meeting for correction.
- iv. Seeing no corrections, Lt. Governor Sanguinetti sought a motion for the approval of the meeting minutes from December 17, 2015.
 - 1. Dixon moved the motion to approve. Batanick seconded.
 - 2. The motion was approved by majority ayes with no nays recorded.

VI. Adjournment

- b. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti thanked all members for their hard work and dedication to the Task Force over the past year.
- c. Lt. Governor Sanguinetti sought a motion to adjourn.
 - i. Holmes moved the motion to approve. Batanick seconded.
 - ii. The motion was approved with majority ayes with no nays recorded.